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SUBJ: SOMALI-ETHIOPIAN RELATIONS - REACTION TO EMPEROR'S
OGADEN VISIT

1. ALTHOUGH OFFICIAL GSDR MEDIA SILENT ON EMPEROR'S SPEECH DURING VISIT TO OGADEN, ACCOUNTS BROADCAST ON ETHIOPIAN AND BBC SOMALI LANGUAGE SERVICES HAVE MADE IT MAJOR OBJECT OF COMMENT HERE. SOME VERSIONS OF EMPEROR'S REMARKS CIRCULATING HERE CONTAIN HIGHLY DISPARAGING REFERENCES TO GSDR.

2. SHARP EDITORIAL ON EMPEROR'S VISIT APPEARED IN NON-OFFICIAL WEEKLY L'AVANGUARDIA/HORSEID, AUGUST 31. EDITORIAL CLAIMED THAT EMPEROR VISITED "WESTERN SOMALIA" IN ORDER PERSONALLY INSPECT MILITARY PREPARATIONS, IDENTIFY "STRATEGIC ZONES" FROM WHICH ALL SOMALIS WOULD BE EXPELLED, AND CHECK ON WORK BEING DONE BY U.S. PETROLEUM COMPANIES IN OGADEN. HE RECEIVED "COLD AND HOSTILE" RECEPTION FROM LOCAL POPULATION. EMPEROR'S STATEMENT CONCERNING LOYALTY OF OGADENIANS TO ETHIOPIAN PREDICTABLY OBJECT OF PARTICULARLY SHARP ATTACK.

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3. WE WOULD WELCOME EMBASSY ADDIS' COMMENTS ON EMPEROR'S

TRIP AND HIS REMARKS ON ETHIOPIAN-SOMALI DISPUTE. CROMWELL

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